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### **District Man Sentenced to More Than Three Years in Prison In Stabbing Outside Northeast Washington Nightclub - Admitted Stabbing Two Women, Carrying a Fully Loaded Firearm -**

WASHINGTON - Quinten A. Russell, 37, was sentenced today to a prison term of three years and two months on charges stemming from the stabbing of two women earlier this year outside a nightclub in Northeast Washington, U.S. Attorney Ronald C. Machen Jr. announced.

Russell, of Washington, D.C., pled guilty in June 2011 in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia to charges of felony assault with significant bodily injury and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. He will be placed on three years of supervised release upon completion of his prison term. At sentencing today, the Honorable Ann O'Regan Keary ordered that Russell complete anger management and vocational training upon his release from prison, maintain fulltime employment, and have no contact with firearms.

According to the government's evidence, on March 13, 2011, Russell and the two female victims were patrons at Club Zone 21, at Queens Chapel Road and Adams Place NE. Outside the nightclub, he got into a verbal dispute with the women. An eyewitness saw Russell, violently wielding a pocket knife, stab the victims. One was stabbed in the stomach, and the other in her lower back. Both were taken to hospitals. After the attack, Russell began to flee the scene.

A witness chased the defendant, shouting, "He just stabbed someone!" to a nearby Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officer. Russell ignored the officer's orders to stop, but he eventually fell to the ground and was taken into custody. The police subsequently found a silver 9mm handgun with an extended magazine in the defendant's waistband. The magazine contained 27 rounds of ammunition and a round in the chamber. Police also recovered from the defendant's right pocket a small black pocket knife, which contained blood on the blade.

In announcing the sentence, U.S. Attorney Machen praised the work of MPD Detective Charles Fultz, of the Fifth District Criminal Investigation Division, who led the investigation, as well as Sgt. Joseph Haggerty, Jr., and MPD Officers J. Boutaugh, Bruce Garrett, Gary Glenn, Keith Gray, Elbert Jenkins, Christopher Lehigh, Marques Mcrae, Barbara Robinson, Steve

Salsburg, and Crime Scene Technician Shannon Gill. Finally, he expressed his appreciation to Paralegal Kalisha Johnson-Clark, who prepared the case for indictment, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Terry Eaton, who conducted the pre-indictment investigation and prosecuted the case.

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